

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-mentioned application:

1. (Currently Amended) A control module for a motor vehicle, comprising:

a seat coupled to the vehicle;

a housing coupled to the seat;

~~an electric switch;~~

~~a housing containing an electric switch;~~

at least one locking element ~~of~~ coupled to the housing that is configured to resiliently deflect, ~~in a locking position of which the housing is secured in the correct position in a seat provided therefore and releasably secure the housing in the seat when~~ the at least one locking element assumes a locking position;

~~a[[n]] associated push button coupled to associated with the at least one locking element and accessible by the user, the associated push button configured to cooperate with resiliently deflect the locking element into a position that releases the housing in such a way that when the associated push button is operated by the user and the locking element assumes a release position against its resilient deflection; and~~

a switch coupled to the housing, the switch having an opening therein that enables the locking element to move into the release position only when the switch is rotated to a defined switching position.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) A control module according to Claim 21, wherein the defined switching position ~~for release of the locking element~~ includes a position into which the switch is not moved during normal operation of the motor vehicle.

4. (Previously Presented) A control module according to Claim 1, wherein each push button and each associated locking element form a slide/push connection, which transfers a movement of the push button to the locking element.

5. (Currently Amended) A control module for a motor vehicle, comprising:
a seat coupled to the vehicle;
a housing coupled to the seat;
a[n] electric switch coupled to the housing;
a housing containing the electric switch;
at least one locking element ~~of~~ coupled to the housing and configured to that can
be resiliently deflect,ed and to releasably secure the housing in the seat when the at least
one locking element is in a locking position of which the housing is secured in the correct
position in a seat provided therefore; and
a[n] associated push button ~~for~~ coupled to the at least one locking element ~~that is~~
~~accessible by the user and configured to unlock wherein during operation of the~~
~~associated push button the at least one locking element is released enabling it to be~~
deflected, and wherein the switch cooperates with is further configured to act upon the at
least one locking element and resiliently deflect it into a position that releases the housing
in such a way that in a defined switching position the locking element assumes a release
position against its resilient deflection.

6. (Currently Amended) A control module according to Claim 5, wherein the associated push button and locking element form a groove and tongue connection that is ~~opened~~ released upon operation of the push button.

7. (Currently Amended) A control module for a motor vehicle, comprising:
a seat coupled to the vehicle;
a housing coupled to the seat;
a[n] electric switch coupled to the housing;
a housing containing the electric switch;

~~at least one locking element of coupled to the housing that is and configured to provide a resiliently deflection and releasably secure the housing in the seat when the at least one locking element is in the a locking position of which the housing is secured in the correct position in a seat provided therefore; and~~

~~a[[n]] associated push button configured to unlock the switch enabling it to rotate, and wherein for the electric switch is further configured to resiliently deflect the at least one locking element that is accessible by the user, wherein during operation of the electric switch a defined switching position of the switch is enabled, and the switch cooperates with the locking element in such a way that in a defined switching position the locking element assumes a release position against its resilient deflection to a release position and release the housing.~~

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) The control module according to Claim 5, wherein the locking element is further configured such that an increased force expenditure is necessary to move the electric switch into the defined switching position to release the locking element.

10. (Previously Presented) The control module according to Claim 1, wherein the switch is configured as a rotary switch.

11. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for securing a~~ for releasing a vehicular control module ~~in a motor vehicle from a seat, the control module having a housing with a[[n]] electric switch, in a housing that wherein the housing~~ has at least one resiliently deflectable locking element ~~that can be resiliently deflected in the locking position of which the housing can be secured in the correct position in a seat provided therefore, the method comprising the steps of:~~

~~operating a[[n]] associated push button accessible by the user to release the locking element from a locking position; and~~

moving the switch into a defined switching position to ~~bring~~ resiliently deflect the locking element into a release position ~~against its resilient deflection~~.

12. (Currently Amended) A method for releasing a vehicular securing ~~a control module having in a motor vehicle with an electric switch in a housing that with a switch, wherein the housing has at least one resiliently deflectable locking element that~~ can be resiliently deflected in the locking position of which the housing can be secured in the correct position in a seat provided therefore, the method comprising the steps of:

operating an associated a push button accessible by the user to release unlock the switch ~~from a locking position~~, and

moving the switch into a defined switching position to ~~bring~~ resiliently deflect the locking element into a release position ~~against its resilient deflection~~.